

SENATE RESOLUTION 119

By Harris

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Fatimata Deme, 2016
Salutatorian of Whitehaven High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Fatimata Deme is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2016 graduating class at Whitehaven High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Fatimata Deme achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Deme earned an exemplary 3.9 grade point average, while participating in many extracurricular activities and clubs, including AJROTC, Future Buisness Leaders of America (FBLA), DECA, National Honor Society, National English Honor Society, and REACH Memphis; and

WHEREAS, she placed fourth in Healthcare Administration at the FBLA Regionals and competed at the State level; she placed second in Buying and Merchandising at the DECA Regionals and competed at the State level; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a social conscience at an early age, Fatimata Deme donates her time to Bridge Builders, Zoo Lights, St. Jude, Sisters Network, Whitehaven Community Closet, and her local mosque, where she teaches English; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Deme's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Rhodes College; and

WHEREAS, Fatimata's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Baba Yaga Deme and Mariam Dia, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Fatimata Deme's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2016 Whitehaven High School Salutatorian, Fatimata Deme, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.